



Christ the King, North Rocks

Term 2, Week 2

5th May, 2016

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2016 Term 2, Week 2

Friday 6th May

- * **Band** (all students) 7.45am (sharp)
- * **LUNCH ORDERS**
- * **Mother's Day Liturgy**
9.15am followed by
morning tea and Open
Classrooms
- * Band groups during the day

Sunday 8th May

- * **Happy Mother's Day**

Term 2, Week 3

SUMMER UNIFORM EXTENDED UNTIL 24TH MAY

Monday 9th May

- * **SPORT PROGRAM**
All students in sport uniform
- * **LUNCH ORDERS**
- * **Cool Kids Music** 3-4.30pm

Tuesday 10th May

- * **MATHS CLUB** 8am
- * **Uniform Shop** 8.30-11.30am
1.30-3.30pm
- * **PE** : Yr 1, 2/5, 3/7, 4/9
- * **NAPLAN** Year 3 & year 5

Wednesday 11th May

- * **Choir** 8am
- * **LUNCH ORDERS**
- * **PE** : see change due to NAPLAN
2/6, Year 5, Year 6
- * **Chess** 3-4pm
- * **NAPLAN** Year 3 & year 5

Thursday 12th May

- * **PE** : see change due to NAPLAN
Kindergarten, 3/8, 4/10
- * **NAPLAN** Year 3 & year 5
- * **DanceClub** 3.15-4.15pm

Friday 13th May

- * **Band** (all students) 7.45am (sharp)
- * **LUNCH ORDERS**
- * **Debating** Yr 6 v St Paul's 9.45am

Sunday 15th May

- * **Pentecost Sunday**—Yr 6 attending
Parish Mass 10am followed by
morning tea

Dear Parents

This Sunday we celebrate one of the most important feasts of the Church's year: the Ascension of Jesus into heaven. Since the festivities of Easter, we have had a period of forty days in which we have been thinking about all the different ways in which Jesus has kept his promise of being with us 'always', to the end of time when we all will be reunited with him in Heaven. This period of 40 days is itself symbolic of our life's journey. Our faith ensures us that He will be with us at every stage of our earthly and eternal life ever after. The feast of the Ascension reminds us that the goal of our life is the same as our Lord's. We and all those whom we love are called, like Jesus, to enjoy a united communion with God forever. Though our Lord is no longer physically present with us on Earth we are all united with him through prayer, faith and love. *Through the sacrament of Reconciliation, Fr Michael Fallon MSC* reminds us that : *We have a place where we can always find him ready to forgive, heal and encourage us. In Communion we are taken into heaven for a few moments and are given a taste of the communion with God and with all whom we love, which will be our eternal home.* Finally as the season of Easter draws to a close, we recall Jesus' promise: 'I will come again and take you to myself so that where I am, there you may be also' (John 14:3).

This Sunday we celebrate Mother's day. Below are several quotes that encapsulate what our mums are to us, how we rely on them and the reason why we can never do without them....

The mother's heart is the child's schoolroom.

--Henry Ward Beecher

All that I am or ever hope to be, I owe to my angel Mother.

--Abraham Lincoln

A mother is not a person to lean on, but a person to make leaning unnecessary.

--Dorothy Canfield Fisher

Mothers hold their children's hands for a short while, but their hearts forever.

--Unknown

Being a full-time mother is one of the highest salaried jobs... since the payment is pure love.

--Mildred B. Vermont

When you are a mother, you are never really alone in your thoughts. A mother always has to think twice, once for herself and once for her child.

--Sophia Loren, *Women and Beauty*

All our mums, grandmas and aunties are welcome to join us tomorrow morning from 9:15am for our Mother's day liturgy, morning tea and open classrooms. We look forward to seeing you all in the morning.

It is important to note that all parents who come up to school during the day are to report to the office prior to visiting classrooms. This applies to all parents who are assisting in the classroom or who have an appointment with any of the staff. In accordance with Diocesan WH&S protocols all visitors to our schools including parents are to sign in at the office "Kiosk" where you will receive a photograph ID before proceeding to the classrooms. No parents are to go directly to classrooms before reporting to the office. Your co-operation in this matter is expected and will be greatly appreciated.

Congratulations to all our students who represented CTK at the Diocesan Cross Country Carnival on Tuesday. A beautiful Autumn day saw many of our runners achieve personal bests on a most challenging course around the Sydney Motor Sport Complex. Thank you to Miss Boules who organized and managed our team for the event. Thank you also to our parents and friends who supported the children throughout the day.

Have a great week! Tony Hughes, Principal



Pentecostal Mass and Year 6 Grade Mass
PENTECOSTAL CELEBRATION AT CTK ON 15TH MAY FROM 10AM
Let's celebrate our beginnings with a multicultural feast!

Please come along and bring a dish to share.

Join us as we celebrate Pentecost Sunday on May 15 with a special Year 6 Mass and a shared morning tea after 10am Mass. We invite all parishioners to come along and bring a sweet dish from their cultural background to share.

Mother's Day Liturgy

TOMORROW, FRIDAY 6th May at 9.15am

We all cherish our Mothers. We would like you all to come to celebrate the gift of Mothers with a special liturgy tomorrow, Friday 6th May from 9.15 am.

You are all then welcome to enjoy a cuppa and morning tea and then visit your child's classroom/s to share the wonderful learning that is taking place.

Mother's Day Ritual:

In whatever way Mother's day is celebrated in your family, take some time to thank and bless your Mother. Perhaps at the end of the day, gather round a meal with your Mother, light a candle or two and each family member can say what it is that you value and appreciate about your Mother. Having done so, stand in a circle around your Mother, each placing your hand upon her shoulder or head as you bless her. The blessing that would most deeply touch your Mother would be the blessing that you write as a family.

We wish you a Happy Mother's Day

ADVANCED NOTICE—PUPIL FREE DAYS

This term, teaching staff will be involved in two consecutive professional learning days on **Friday 20th May and Monday 23rd May**. On both of these days the staff will be working on our Numeracy, Literacy and formation goals and how they impact on the children's learning throughout 2016.

Please put these dates in your calendar as they are pupil free days where there are no classes on both days.

SUMMER UNIFORM EXTENDED

Due to the warmer weather we have been experiencing, children may wear their summer uniform (at parent discretion) until Thursday 19th May. **From Tuesday 24th May, FULL WINTER UNIFORM must be worn.**

SPORT NEWS

Parramatta Diocese Rugby Representatives Congratulations to Jonathan Wehbe & Hunter Hosking who have been selected for the Parramatta Diocese Representative team for rugby union. Good luck in their upcoming carnival at Forbes on the 27th June.

MacKillop Netball Trials Good luck to Monique Brown (Yr 5) who will compete in the MacKillop Netball Trials in Canberra tomorrow.

Happy Birthday for the remainder of April to



Kinder Abigail V

Year 3 Mitchell R

Happy Birthday for the month of May to

Kinder Benjamin K
 EvaRose B
 Evie W
 Sarah D
 John-Paul R
 Matthew R

Year 1 Lucas H

Year 2 Eden H
 Amarlie S
 Max R

Year 3 Liam A
 John N

Year 4 Joshua K
 Danielle N
 Elle D
 Olivia I
 Jason Z

Year 5 Ryan B
 Isabella M

Year 6 Rita N
 Jasmyn P
 Juliette H
 Hunter H

MARK IN YOUR DIARY

Thursday 19th May

- Yr 6 Fundraiser:
Sausage sizzle

Friday 20th May

- Staff Development /
Pupil Free Day

Monday 23rd May

- Staff Development /
Pupil Free Day

Monday 13th June

- Queens birthday
Public Holiday

Monday 18th July

- Staff Development /
Pupil Free Day



*The School Office is
 open from
 8.30am to 3.30pm.*

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Gospel of Luke—daily prayer and reflection

At Christ the King School we greatly value daily prayerful reading of Holy Scripture.

We acknowledge the significance that reading the narrative of Jesus Christ sequentially has in developing a deep faith and love of Jesus. This is also an opportunity to be revealed the true mission and message of Jesus Christ, assisting each of us to recognise and accept our call to live and spread the Gospel values within a contemporary world.

The students at Christ the King School will be reading an online Bible, Bible Gateway at www.biblegateway.com and using the Contemporary English Version. This online version has been approved by the Bishop's office, which has been chosen as it uses appropriate language for Primary aged students. You are welcome to use the online Bible or your own Bible at home. Each week in the Christ the King School Newsletter and the Christ the King Parish Bulletin, the weekly readings will be published.

This week the school community read these readings from the Gospel of Luke.

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Thursday	Wednesday	Friday
2	May 2, 2016 Luke 1: 46-56 Mary's Song of Praise	May 3, 2016 Luke 1:57-66 The Birth of John the Baptist	May 4, 2016 Luke 1: 67-80 Zechariah Praises the Lord	May 5, 2016 Luke 2: 1-7 The Birth of Jesus	May 6, 2016 Luke 2: 8-21 The Shepherds

Please join the Christ the King community in prayerfully reading the Gospel of Luke for Week 3.

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Thursday	Wednesday	Friday
3	May 9, 2016 Luke 2: 22-35 Simeon Praises the Lord	May 10, 2016 Luke 2: 36-38 Anna Speaks about the Child Jesus	May 11, 2016 Luke 2: 39-40 The Return to Nazareth	May 12, 2016 Luke 2: 41-52 The Boy Jesus in the Temple	May 13, 2016 Luke 3: 1-20 The Preaching of John the Baptist

We hope you all take this opportunity to join us as a Catholic community in prayer and reflection of the Gospel of Luke.

Monica Burley, Religious Education Coordinator

TERM 2 SCHOOL CALENDARS were emailed home earlier this week. Please keep in mind every effort is made to have firm dates and publish these as early as possible. Changes beyond our control sometimes need to be made. Please be assured as much notice as possible is given if this occurs.

"My Mum, My Friend"

Congratulations to Rebecca Kasemsri, Raphaella Perigo and Lucas Sassen.

Their poems were the selected winners by The Rotary Club of North Rocks in their recent poetry competition.

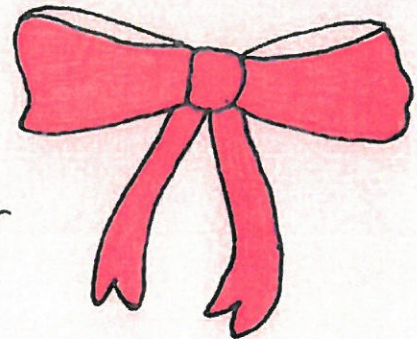
Read their lovely poems over the next few pages.....



My Mum, My Friend

I have an older sister
And we had a mum
My dad is on his own
And she was my number one
He's trying to find a new heart to love
And we are by his side
We'll always remember
She's in the sky
Watching, loving and lighting our way.

I was only young
Five to be exact
My sister was eight
And we all know that
She'll be up above
To help, to guide and to grant,
all our special dreams
And that is why I love her
My awesome mother
My awesome friend



Rebecca Kasemsri

Raphaella Perigo.

My MUM My friend

My MUM My friend

Mum you are a honey Bun Sugar plum
from the sugar tree your my working
Bee from the Sugar tree.

you make me feel like I belong
listening to your calming Song
you fill me up in side, you make me
feel like I can fly

When I am Sad you make me
glad

I love you mum more than just
Some

my mum my friend I Love you to
the end.



My Mother, my Friend

Mother you are always helping, caring
or doing things for me.

Our family knows how hard you work
because you never stop

The best mum in the world because
you do everything

Here you are doing all the the work
for us because you love us

Everyone loves you because you do any-
thing for me

Really the best mum in the world
and I love you to the moon and back
by LUCAS S



SAUSAGE SIZZLE DAY



Please support our Year 6 fundraiser, all proceeds will go towards the "End of Primary School" Graduation and Activities.

We will be hosting a delicious sausage sizzle for the children on:

Thursday 19th May

Cost is \$5.00 which includes:

A freshly cooked sausage sizzle along with a cold drink (water or juice) served at lunch time.

Pre-Order form is coming home on Monday. Completed order form and payment are due by NEXT FRIDAY 13th May.

PERFORMANCE BAND CONGRATULATIONS

CTK PERFORMANCE BAND SUCCESS!!
Congratulations to our senior Performance Band members who travelled to Kenthurst last Sunday to participate in the St Madeleines Kenthurst Country Fair & Battle Of The Bands¹.

At short notice we managed to put together an impressive program of three crowd pleasing songs Just Dance, Happy and What Makes You Beautiful.

They obviously pleased the judges who awarded CTK third prize overall (out of 8 primary school bands). In addition to the valuable performance experience the band also brought home \$800 in prize money which can be used to buy new band resources and equipment.

So congratulations again to those students who made the effort to travel to Kenthurst on a Sunday morning and thanks to all the parents, staff and other helpers who helped us achieve this excellent result.

Steven Lavis

Music Director - Teaching Services Australia



HAVE YOU DOWNLOADED THE Skoolbag App YET???



Skoolbag is the ultimate school to parent communication tool. This School Mobile App provides schools with an easy way to tell parents and carers important information as soon as it happens example: school news, event reminders, cancellations and much more. No more lost papers in school bags!

To install it, just search for our school name "Christ the King Primary North Rocks" in either the Apple App Store, Google Play Store or on Windows.

The Uniform Shop is open on TUESDAYS ONLY each week with morning and afternoon opening hours for your convenience.

Parents are most welcome to place an order through the office.

FULL PAYMENT must accompany all orders.

The Uniform Shop can accept cash or cheque (made payable to Christ the King). Eftpos facilities are able to be accessed through the School office for Uniform orders.

The Uniform Shop Price List is now available on the Christ the King School web site.

Go to ctknorthrocks.catholic.edu.au and click on the 'Parents' tab then click on Handbook, School Office and then Uniform Shop / Clothing Pool. On this page you will find the price list to download.



The Working with Children Check is a **three step process** which includes Completion of the CEO Online Child Protection Module and Completion of the 'new working with children check' through the NSW Commission for Children website. Applicants will then need to present the completed documentation at their local Service NSW Office (formally RMS/RTA) for screening which completes the check.

PLEASE NOTE: Partial Completion of the above steps will not be accepted. Both the CEO Module and the NSW Working With Children Check must be completed to finalise your clearance.

1. It is a Diocesan requirement that any parent volunteering at Christ the King School complete the Child Protection training module.

This training is to be completed online at :

<http://childprotection.parra.catholic.edu.au>

CTK will receive email notification when you complete the CEO module.

2. When module has been completed go to: www.kidsguardian.nsw.gov.au and follow the links to complete the 'new working with children check'. A Working With Children Check is a prerequisite for anyone in child-related work. It involves a national criminal history check and review of findings of workplace misconduct.

The Working With Children Check is FREE. Only paid workers in child-related work are required to pay the \$80 fee for a five year clearance. This equates to \$16 per year, the lowest in Australia (together with Victoria).

The Working With Children Check remains free for:

- Volunteers and students
- Potential adoptive parents
- Authorised carers
- Adults who reside in the home of:
 - an authorised carer
 - a family day care service provider
 - a home-based education and care service provider.

3. Once the NSW Office of the Children's Guardian check has been completed you will receive an email with a WWCC Number which states that you have clearance to work with children. **You will need to** present a copy of this email to the school office to complete your Working with Children Check. **Only then** will you be cleared to work with the children in the school.

1 in 3 Australians are touched by Cancer and the funds raised in this morning tea will make a difference in the lives of Cancer patients and their families



Ray and Shirley Wehbe

Together with...

The Making a Difference for Christmas

The Maronite Ladies of the Gospel

The Australian Blouza Association

Are Hosting Australia's Biggest Morning Tea

*Don't hesitate to join us to make a **BIG** difference to raise as much funds as possible to help in this fight for Cancer*

On Tuesday 17th May 2016

At the home of Ray & Shirley Wehbe

At 107 Bettington Road Oatlands

From 6:00 am until noon

***Entry Fee** - \$20.00 Adults or donation & Children free. This includes a hot and cold breakfast, tea/coffee, juices, sweets & much more.*

Everyone is welcome to the biggest spread of breakfast and morning tea if you're on your way to work or after dropping children off at school, please drop in and join us for either breakfast or morning tea.

Any form of donation will be welcomed for those unable to attend on the day and wish to support this worthy cause. For any enquiries contact Shirley Wehbe on 0409 330 028 or email: shirleywehbe1@hotmail.com

Businesses in the area why not encourage your staff to come for breakfast

Pack a lunch to take away from our great variety of food

Alternatively collect a tray of food for your office morning tea.

CTK COMMUNITY NEWS

A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend is a *Marriage Enrichment* experience for married couples – set in peaceful, picturesque surroundings, away from the distractions of everyday life. During the weekend, couples have a unique opportunity to reconnect, rekindle and refresh their relationship. Take time out of your busy schedule, to invest in your most precious asset . . . your Marriage! **Weekend date: 24-26 June at Mt Carmel Retreat Centre, Varroville, NSW.** Bookings online at www.wwme.org.au or Bill and Ardell Sharpe on 02 4283 3435 or wsharpe@bigpond.net.au

UPCOMING EVENTS AT MOUNT SCHOENSTATT, MULGOA † May 13th to 15th **Discover – Self-discovery weekend for Young Women (18-35)** A self-knowledge weekend on identity and personality, dignity, womanhood, personal ideal, vocation and mission. Early Bird offer open until 1st of May. Contact Sr Julie via email: juliebrcar@gmail.com or call 0408 7380334 - Mount Schoenstatt Spirituality Centre, 230 Fairlight Road, Mulgoa

† May 22nd **Annual Marian Pilgrimage** - Mount Schoenstatt Spirituality Centre, 230 Fairlight Road, Mulgoa Commencing at 10 am with Mass at 10.30 am all are welcome. 2.00 pm Eucharistic Procession from the Valley and Final Benediction at the Shrine. Alternative Program with the Anointing of the Sick and Elderly at the Shrine. **This is a special year for pilgrimage with our "Holy Door of Mercy".** Bring your picnic lunch, chairs and rug. Hot food, tea and coffee are available. Details available on FB Events: "Mt Schoenstatt Shrine and Retreat Centre" and at our website: www.schoenstatt.org.au or call the office on 4773 8338

PENRITH OBSERVATORY Astronomy Night – Dr Jill Rathborne: Saturday 14 May 2016 (7.00 pm – 9.00 pm) The evening will include a presentation from our guest speaker Dr Jill Rathborne, a 3D astronomy movie, a tour of the dome area and an opportunity to view the night sky through the observatory's telescopes. Dr Jill Rathborne is a research scientist with the CSIRO, and is part of the international group that is setting up the Australian part of the most powerful telescope in history in outback Western Australia, the Square Kilometre Array (SKA). **Cost:** \$18 adult, \$12 child/concession and \$50 family **Bookings are essential:** To book and pay for tickets visit westernsydney.edu.au/observatory

School Holiday 2-Day Music Workshops

The Mercy Music & Performance Academy Parramatta will be holding two 2-day workshops in the Christina Creede Music Centre at OLMC Parramatta during the July holidays. These workshops are for boys and girls, Years 3 to 12 (aged 8 to 18) from an approximate standard of AMEB preliminary - Grade 3. **The 2 Day Concert Band Workshop and 2-Day Strings Workshop** run from 9am-3pm Monday 11 and Tuesday 12 July, 2016. Cost is \$180 per 2-Day workshop. For full details and how to apply call 8838 1288 or visit: <http://www.olmc.nsw.edu.au/the-academy/workshops>



Catherine McAuley Westmead School Open Morning

9.15 – 11am, Tuesday 17th May 2016 **Enrolments for Year 7 2018**

Catherine McAuley is now accepting enrolments for Year 7 2018. Each year the demand for places at Catherine McAuley exceeds what is available. Join us on our upcoming school tour especially for Year 7 2018 applicants but open to any year group.

Our Open Morning is a great opportunity to tour around our school grounds, view our fantastic facilities and meet our students and teachers. You will have the opportunity to go into classrooms and see them in action. Both children and adults are most welcome.

Please contact School Reception on 9849 9100 if you would like to attend. Our school tours will leave at 9.15am and car parking will be available in the visitor's car parking area via Gate 3 from 9am onwards. Ask for details when making your booking.

Oakhill College Gala Day Saturday 4th June 2016

An exciting day of sport combined with the fun of a fair. With over 3000 people attending each year this is a day not to be missed!! Sport, Markets, Rides, Delicious Food, bookstalls and more! Come along and enjoy this great day while supporting Oakhill College! Oakhill College, 423-513 Old Northern Rd, Castle Hill NSW. <http://www.oakhillgaladay.org/>

MURRAY FARM PUBLIC SCHOOL
Tracey Ave, Carlingford

CRACKER CARNIVAL

SATURDAY 4 JUNE
2PM - 8PM
FIREWORKS @ 7PM

• Teachers Dunking Tank	• 2nd hand Toys & Homewares
• Tombola	• 2nd hand Books
• Rides & Slides	• Fairy Floss & Cake Stall
• Games & Prizes	• International Food & BBQ
• Face Painting	• Lolly Stall & Teddy Toss
• Kids Arts & Craft	• Murraycinco's Café
• Glow Sticks & Popcorn	• Gift Baskets & Vouchers

\$5 per Ride or \$20 for 5 Rides
\$30 Unlimited Ride Armband

Gold Coin Donation on Entry
No alcohol, smoking or drugs on school grounds.

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